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FR. BOB BEDARD'S VISION FOR THE CHURCH



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ABOUT THE FILM



Fr. Robert Bedard is a modern-day champion for the Catholic priesthood and Church, whose cause for canonization might soon be opened. He is known to thousands, perhaps millions around the world affectionately as “Fr. Bob”.

Permission looks at his humble beginnings as an only child growing up in Ottawa, Canada, to his very private but profound call to the priesthood. We witness his vocation as high school teacher and basketball coach at St. Pius X High School — one that was marked by incredible joy but also profound tragedy. This, when a student, armed with a gun entered the room and opened fire. It was a horrific event that, in time, would galvanize his faith and the faith of his students.

We see a priest, unsure of the role of the Holy Spirit in the building of the church, become an international leader who shone the light of the Holy Spirit at conferences throughout the world—and through hundreds of hours of television on the series, *Food For Life*, along with multiple TV appearances.

And perhaps his most important work of all was the creation of the order he founded almost 40 years ago, “The Companions of the Cross” which is now bursting with seminarians, priests and even bishops who have been called by Rome to serve. The order now spans from Houston to Halifax, from Detroit to missions in the poorest countries of the world.

The film features Fr. Bob’s former students, Bishops and priests of the Companions, and close friends and colleagues, including Dr. Ralph Martin, Bishop Scott McCaig, Bishop Christian Reisbeck, Fr. Roger Vandenakker and Fr. Mark Goring, among many others.

Woven into the narrative is the current day vocation story of Fr. Isaac Longworth. Although he never met Fr. Bob, Isaac is one of his spiritual students, now living out his legacy as a Companions priest. The film will also feature a beautiful praise and worship soundtrack, including brand new songs and music videos from the group *Found Together* and Joe Zambon, both commissioned for the film.

Right now we are raising funds so we can continue with scripting, post-production and outreach.



FILM PROCESS



Over the past few years we've been interviewing those who knew him best: bishops, priests, clergy, friends, admirers and media personalities.

We hired a number of actors. We brought on board a number of volunteers, and we filmed dramatic re-enactments, which would capture the key moments that defined Father Bob's life. Among several key moments in his life, we also filmed his visit where he pitched the idea of the new order of priests to then-Archbishop Plourde, and let's not forget about the community of sisters.

Father Bob also co-founded the Servants of the Cross. Sister Anna Chan recounts the formation of the community and influence that Father Bob had and continues to have on the community today. Finally, we capture the final years of Father Bob's life from a shocking diagnosis to his final days on earth, surrounded by the priests and sisters whom he loved so dearly.

The film will end on a glorious note as we interview Fr. Dennis Hayes, CC who has been working on the cause of Father Bob Bedard's canonization. This is a beautiful moment in the film where we encourage prayers and pilgrimages to Father Bob's resting place.





FILM GOALS



Permission will be the quintessential film on the life and times of Father Bob Bedard, prophet of the New Evangelization. Our hope is to have the film complete by October of 2024 in time for the 13th anniversary of Father Bob's Passing.

However, we are at a standstill right now until we can raise enough funds to complete the scripting and post-production process: we need to raise a minimum of **\$100,000** to make it happen.

\$100,000 Goal			
October 4th, 2024 - Film Premiere			
# of Donors Needed	One-Time Gift	Total \$ Raised in Each Gift Range	Total \$ Raised
25	\$100	\$2,500	\$2,500
30	\$250	\$7,500	\$10,000
20	\$500	\$10,000	\$20,000
10	\$1,000	\$10,000	\$30,000
12	\$5,000	\$60,000	\$90,000
1	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$100,000
98	Total # of Donors Needed		

These are the giving goals we have set to reach our one hundred thousand dollars total. Every gift makes a difference, and whatever you can give will be greatly appreciated. Donations are tax-deductible.

Please pray about what God may be asking you to give to help keep Father Bob Beard's legacy alive for decades to come. Inspiring many more faithful to serve as priests, sisters, and committed laypeople who will give God permission to work in their lives and bring about a church that is explosively alive.

Visit [Permissionthefilm.com](https://permissionthefilm.com) for details or contact the producers directly. Most of all, please pray for the success of this film. Thank you and God bless.

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ANTICIPATED FILM ROLL-OUT



JANUARY

SCRIPTING

MARCH

POST-PRODUCTION

OCTOBER

RELEASE DATE

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